

CLAIMS

1. A method for timing a change of diversity weights in a radio connection between a base station and a terminal, comprising the steps of:
 - selecting a response timing mode from a number of predefined response timing modes,
 - informing the terminal about the selected response timing mode,
 - receiving an initiation from the terminal and
 - responding to said initiation by changing certain diversity weights so that the exact moment of time for effecting the change is determined by said selected response timing mode.
2. A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of selecting a response timing mode comprises the substeps of:
 - measuring a propagation delay between the base station and the terminal and
 - mapping the measured propagation delay into a certain response timing mode.
3. A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of selecting a response timing mode comprises the substep of selecting a response timing mode based on the cell size of the base station.
4. A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of selecting a response timing mode comprises the substep of selecting a response timing mode based on the processing capacity of the base station.
5. A method according to claim 1, wherein the steps of receiving an initiation from the terminal and responding to said initiation by changing certain diversity weights comprise the substeps of:
 - receiving said initiation from the terminal in a certain j :th time slot and
 - effecting the change of diversity weights in either the $(j+1) \bmod M$:th time slot or the $(j+2) \bmod M$:th time slot depending on which of two predefined response timing modes has been selected, where M is the length of the cycle in a cyclic numbering scheme of time slots.
6. An arrangement for timing a change of diversity weights in a radio connection between a base station and a terminal, comprising:
 - means for selecting a response timing mode from a number of predefined response timing modes,
 - means for informing the terminal about the selected response timing mode,

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